

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 6, 2010

Homily Next Week:

Fr. Jack O'Leary, S.J.

Readings for

June 13, 2010

FIRST READING: 2 SAMUEL 12:7-10,13

SECOND READING: GALATIANS 2:16,19-21

GOSPEL: LUKE 7:36-8:3

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5 p.m.

Sunday - 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday - 7:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday - 3:30-4:15 p.m. in the Church
or by appointment

Parish Center Hours

Monday-Thursday - 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday - 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Saturday - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

www.stjosephparish.org

732 18th Avenue East, Seattle, WA 98112

Fax: (206) 329-5698

Parish Receptionist (206) 324-2522

Parish Staff

(206) 329-5981

Pastor

Rev. John D. Whitney, S.J. x107

Senior Priest in Residence

Rev. Jack O'Leary, S.J. x101

Deacon/Pastoral Associate

Steve Wodzanowski x106

Pastoral Staff:

Dottie Farewell, Pre-K to 8th Faith Form. x112

Dennis Gentele, Facilities x110

Renée Leet, Administrative Assistant x100

Bob McCaffery-Lent, Music & Liturgy x109

Marti McGaughey, Bookkeeper x102

Greg McNabb, Administration x108

Anne Moran, Administrative Assistant x116

Randy Novak, High School Youth x114

St. Joseph School

700 18th Avenue East • (206) 329-3260

Main Office x210

George Hofbauer, Principal x213

Rick Boyle, Academic Vice Principal x215

Sheryl Sperry, Student Vice Principal x218

The Body & Blood of the Lord

In this busy week, my prayer has been filled with a number of memories and reflections, which somehow seem to point me towards this week's feast of the body and blood of the Lord. The first memory was stirred by the recent violence off the coast of Israel, where Israeli Special Forces boarded a ship that was trying to run the blockade of Gaza. Many died and many more were wounded, and the words of violence have escalated ever since.

Hearing the report, I recalled another period of violence in the Middle East. One day (when a cease-fire was, supposedly, in place), a Palestinian man was shot through the head while on his way home from work. It was said that he was shot by Israeli settlers reacting to the violence committed against them by Palestinians—and so on and so on. Anyway, like the people on that ship bound for Gaza, this young man became another casualty in the cycle of death and reprisal by which the world does its bizarre imitation of justice and retribution.

But there was a difference in this case, thanks to the parents of the man who was killed; for they refused to accept their brain dead son as just another casualty of war and offered up his body for organ transplant. Harvesting the healthy organs, doctors sent parts of this young man around the region—including sending his heart to a hospital in Jerusalem, where it was transplanted into the body of a young Jewish father, the first name on the recipient list.

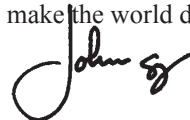
As the Palestinian's heart beat in the chest of this young Jew, the recipient's parents said: *"The courage of this family allows us to imagine that things may be different."*

"Things may be different"—perhaps a heart stopped by hatred may beat again in the chest of the enemy; perhaps from a moment of death can spring a gift of life; perhaps a communion of lives is possible not *despite* suffering but *through* the miraculous moment that suffering affords. Perhaps things *may* be different, if we have minds and hearts open to the change.

The second moment that has filled my days is also about death and life, but is much closer to home. The passing of little Sarah Hughes was not unexpected nor violent, but every bit as sad and heart-wrenching as the suffering in Palestine. To see her parents and friends, pouring over pictures with tear-stained faces, could make one more than a little angry and mystified at a God who seems so far away.

And then my eyes turn to the photos of Sarah herself, and to those wide, wise eyes, filled with life and hope and challenge—with mischief but with absolutely no malice. I recall meeting her, when she was healthy, and watching the joy that enveloped the room when she entered. At that moment, I cannot stay centered in anger or despair; I cannot feel that grace is too far away. For, in remembering Sarah, I am grieved by also graced—the two moments are not separated. Like a taste that prepares us for a feast, Sarah's life is a promise of something not yet finished, a promise of something coming to be—a glimpse of love, anticipating its fullness.

Here is what the feast of the body and blood of the Lord means: each time we remember the gift of those lives given to us—Jesus, Sarah, that Palestinian man—we are transformed. The *"real presence"* of Jesus is a promise of the real presence of Sarah and all those whose love feeds us, and becomes part of us, and empowers us to make the world different. Let us feast on this life and this promise always.



Calendar

Sunday, June 6	Newcomers Gathering, 11 AM
Monday, June 7	Sacred Silence, 7 PM
Wednesday, June 9	The VOICE, 7 PM, Parish Center
Sunday, June 13	Come to the Quiet, 5 PM

Note: Daily masses (Monday-Friday) are celebrated in the Arrupe Room at 7 AM and the Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the Bapistry of the Church.

Congratulations to the 2010 Graduates of St. Joseph School. We wish them continued success!

Sabrina Basia Arfi, Ezra Makonnen Asfaw, Anne Victoria Bakamis, Sera Kate Barbieri, Sophia Marie Battaglia, Madeline Hawley Birkhold, Keegan Charles Boehm, Ryan Theodore Boone, Matthew Gerard Brennan, Daniel James Bryan, Payton James Condes Buchholz, Elizabeth Reed Buhler, Kaitlin Danielle Cappetto, Aidan Joseph Danford, Hadyn Lee Daus, Jack E. Harris David, Melissa Clare Dickinson, Michael William Doquilo, Katherine Charlotte Fallon, Cole Fisher, Maxwell Gregory Folkins, Aidan Jerome French, Miles Hitchcock French, Skye Clare French, Patrick John Greeley, Mauricio Gutierrez Amézquita, William Ingalls Hall, Cole Jameson Harned, Grace Elizabeth Haskins, Connor Francis Heffernan, John Troseth Henning, Adrienne Claire Guerra Herkes, Dominic Matthew Guerra Herkes, Gwyneth Laurel Maria Hughes, David Douglas Irvine Jon Barringer Iseman, Elliott Baird Janney, Daniel Joseph Johnson, Kailee Tice Johnson, Margaret Elizabeth Jones, Terae Anthony-Yota Jones, Jr., Michael Christian Ryan Karges, Isabelle Jean Kerner, Sean Michael Kron, Mackenzie Ann Kupyn, Keenan Rory Swezey Leary, Mitchell Lee-Peterson, Aidan Guzzo Lopez, Elise Katarina Clement-Loura, Emmet Alexander Martin, Alexander Robert McCullough, Margaret Mary McDonald, Madeline Kathryn McReynolds, Molly Elisabeth Messner, Katherine Lacy Moran, Michael Atkins Nelson, Clare Marie O'Connor, Giana Nicole O'Shaughnessy-Ross, Alaina Laurine Orr, Nicole B'Lou Pavlovic, Sean Thomas Peterson, Spencer Reppond, Zeena Marie Geraldine Rivera, Elinor Margaret Rothrock, John Douglas Rowley, III, Holland Margaret Millie Roza, Emily Taylor Savidge, Cha Sheng Sawyer, Kathleen Marie Sinsky, Marek Martin Spooner-LeDuff, Caroline Lee Sweeney, Alexandria Sarah Turnure, Nicolaas Francesco Van der Meulen, Paulina Thi Vien, Joshua Kenneth Vredevoogd, Nathan Edward Wolfe, Natalie Joyce Wong

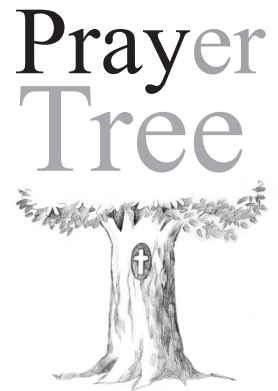
St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: For the prayers in the quiet of our hearts.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

1 Cor 12-27

If you are interested in having someone placed on the prayer tree, please contact Renée Leet at 324-2522 or rleet@stjosephparish.org

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of Sarah Hughes who passed away on Monday. May she rest in peace.



ACA Update

Thank you to all who have pledged to the 2010 Annual Catholic Appeal. As a parish, we have received pledges of over \$99,000 toward our \$129,000 goal. If you have not had the opportunity to pledge, envelopes are in the Parish Center or you may visit our website for the ACA link.

Welcome Newcomers!
Newcomers Gathering today,
Sunday, June 6th in the Parish Center following the 11 am Mass.
Please join us!

Food Offering Please remember to bring a box or can of food for the offering each Sunday. All donations will certainly have an impact in the lives of those in need. *Thank you!*

FAITH FORMATION

Women's Ministry Gathering

Join the Women of St Joseph's for a gathering Friday, June 25, 6 p.m. at KerriLyn Vander Heyden's home, 1927 E. Miller. There will be a prayer ritual at 6:30 followed by dinner and social time. Join us for a spirit-filled and relaxing evening. For more information contact Candace Frankinburger at 617-8352 or hoopburg@comcast.net

Cabrini Ministry Training

If your spiritual journey is leading you to grow deeper in faith and to become more active in ministry, and you desire training and guidance...Cabrini Ministry Training is just for you!

CMT has been training lay ministers in the Catholic tradition for the last 19 yrs. CMT does this by providing training, guidance and ministerial support to those lay people who feel the special call to develop their skills and deepen their faith in service to God's people. Our training is available in English and Spanish.

Plan to attend an Information Meeting on Monday, June 14th from 7 – 8:30 pm at St. James Pastoral Care Center (Mother Cabrini Room – look for our signs). Please RSVP (or for more information) to Tom Curran at 206-760-0583 Ext 4 or tomcurran@cabriniministry.org
Graduates – please go to our website and take the survey!

Hospital Pastoral Care

If you are admitted to a hospital and would like a member of the clergy or an Eucharistic Minister to visit you, please notify the hospital or call Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at (206) 965-1646. HIPAA -- Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act prohibits all hospitals from informing churches of a patient's presence unless the patient gives permission for the hospital to do so.

18th Annual NW Eucharistic Marian Conference

June 25-26, 2010
St. Cecilia Catholic Church
26900 - 78th Avenue NW
Stanwood, WA 98292
Adults: \$60 per person
Youth: Free (under age 18)
Meals: Saturday lunch \$10 per person
Saturday dinner \$10 per person
Schedule details at www.nwemc.org

The Ignatian Spirituality Center

Summer Day of Ignatian Reflection

Saturday, June 19, 2010
Exploring the Heart's Frontiers:
An Examen of Life's Hidden Graces
9 am - 3 pm
St. Joseph Parish Center

We live busy lives, serving good purpose, but perhaps not really allowing the time and space to slow down.

Join us for a day in which you can:

- prayerfully ponder the important matters of our hearts and lives
- allow your soul to savor time for quiet listening and soaking silence
- consider possible next steps in your life and service of the Gospel

Facilitated by Mary Hartrich, MM
Director, Ignatian Spirituality Center

Please Register by June 16th
Fee: \$45 - includes lunch
(some partial scholarships available).
For more info: (206) 329-4824 or info@ignatiancenter.org

Retreat: Footsteps of St. Francis with Fr. Ed White in Italy

Fr. Ed White is leading a *Retreat in the Footsteps of St. Francis* from September 21st to October 1, 2010 in Italy. Six spaces are still available on this journey.

If you are interested, then please contact Kathleen G. Tansey, Group Travel Arranger immediately at 253-630-7755 or kathleen@travelcenter4u.com

Catholic Young Adults

There is a website for you! Visit www.sites.google.com/site/socialcya/ and access a calendar with events in the King County area as well as other resources of interest.

COMMUNITY

CYO Soccer Registration Grades 1-8

Player registration for St. Joseph CYO fall soccer is open now through June 11. The sign-up is for kids entering grades 1 through 8 this fall, and is open to any child who is a parishioner at St. Joseph Church or a student at St. Joseph School.

(Please note: Kindergarten registration will take place separately later in the summer.)

DEADLINE for ONLINE soccer sign-up is June 11, 2010. No roster spots are guaranteed after that date. Soccer fee is \$50 and will be billed to your school account.

All registration is ONLINE. Visit the CYO page of the St. Joseph School website at www.stjosephsea.org
Also, parents who are interested in coaching soccer this fall should please contact Greg Witter at cougfandotcom@hotmail.com.

St. Martin de Porres Bakery Run

Looking for a family service project? We have an opening for a family who would like to join the St. Martin de Porres Bakery Run!

We pick up donated baked goods from the Madison Park Bakery, on Saturdays at 5:30 pm and deliver them to the Shelter on the waterfront, next to the Coast Guard station. The opening is for the 5th Saturday of the month, so it only falls 4-5 times a year. The service takes about an hour.

If you have any questions call Sheri Andrews 325-7128 or email sandrews@stjosephsea.org

Fund Raiser for Baby Corner

RALLY AT THE ALLEY

Windermere Foundation Fundraiser

Bowling-Billiards-Food & Silent Auction

Friends & Fun too!

The Garage on Broadway

Thursday June 10, 2010

5:30pm - 8 or later

\$35. Ticket

includes Appetizers & 2 drink scrip

Proceeds to benefit the Foundation's 3 favorite organizations

St. Joseph's Baby Corner - Project Cool & First Place

For tickets- contact Stephanie Karr (206) 335-1197

SENIORS ON THE GO

Almost Boomers Presents: Red, White, and Blue Boomers' BBQ

Sunday, June 13th from 5-9 PM

At the home of Nancy O'Brien

1244 20th Ave E

All are Welcome..single (again?)

Married (again), 45-65+ yrs...

Relationship status won't matter at the

Almost Flag Day BBQ.

Bring something to grill and a salad/dessert to share

Plus BYOB Drinks

Show your Colors and your Patriotic Self

We would love to see you!!!!

RSVP O'Brien's 206-325-8836 or Baker's 206-324-3695

Communion for the Homebound

Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Please contact Fr. Jack O'Leary 206-329-5981, ext 101 or Deacon Steve Wodzanowski at 206-965-1646 or steveuw@stjosephparish.org if you or someone you know would like to receive the Eucharist.

Auction of the Angels

Angelorum Pregnancy Services (a pregnancy crisis assistance center) is hosting the 9th Annual Auction of the Angels on Saturday, June 19th at St. Matthew Parish in Seattle.

Tickets are \$40 per person or \$300 for a table of eight. Twelve Baskets Catering will be providing a delicious meal with your choice of garlic brandy chicken or braised fresh wild salmon. Please join us for an evening of silent and live auctions, dinner, wine and a celebration of life! Reservations can be made online at www.angelorum.org, or by calling Kathy at 425-329-4569; we ask that reservations be made by June 11.

If you would like to sit at a table with fellow St Joseph parishioners, please indicate "ST JOSEPH GROUP" on the reservation form.